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VERY IMPORTANT MEMBER
The North Texas Cat Club was organized just about the time you reviewed Paul W. Gallico's book, *The Abandoned*. One of our first official acts was to make Mr. Gallico an honorary member of our club. We have his letter which reads:

"One of the cities I am fondest of is Dallas, and I am delighted to find myself an honorary member of the North Texas Club. If you will spread the gospel of *The Abandoned* in North Texas, I will reciprocate by pleading that of the North Texas Cat Club in New York. Thank you for your kindness. (Signed) Paul W. Gallico."

Annabel Hoyt, President
North Texas Cat Club

Dallas, Texas

THE DOORMAN

"Perky" is owned by my son, Roger, and has been letting himself in for the past three years. He jumps up and holds on with one paw while working the

thumb latch with the other. When the latch clicks, he gets down and pushes the door open. The last rat he caught he brought up the hill from some distance, and with the victim in mouth, let himself in, just as you see in the accompanying photograph. One of "Perky's" favorite pastimes is going for long hikes with members of the family, talking all the way and complaining in a



PERKY

"Open the door, Richard!"

loud voice when he falls behind. Being the catty type, he enjoys eavesdropping on the extension phone, and sits, listening to all that is said. He used to show off by bringing home live mice, unharmed, and placing them in a dry cement fish pond. He would sit in the middle watching the mouse run around the edge until it slowed down. Then he would give it a swipe to make it run again.

Mrs. R. J. Schmidt

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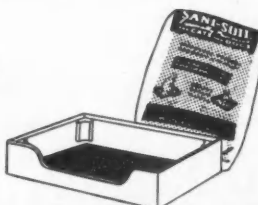
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BLACK SIAMESE-MANX SPINS CAT TALES

Television Puss Has Time for Kits

Television set owners are finding another reason besides Milton Berle for staying home Tuesdays.

At this time, Thanatopsis, a cat, appears as mistress of ceremonies and general creator of atmosphere on "Tales of the Black Cat" (WCBS-TV, 10:30-11:30 P.M., EST). We should also mention that the actor James Monks is in there somewhere, in fact, if we were not such avid cat fanciers we would probably already have conceded that he is the alleged star of the show.

Whether she is the star of the show or not, though, Thanatopsis with her jet black coat and great yellow eyes would seem to be a natural target for the television cameras. She is probably the only actor on TV who does not require the services of a make-up man.

Thanatopsis was born in New York August 11, 1949, the daughter of a Manx father and a Siamese mother. Her mother was owned by an American colonel who was stationed in Siam during the war and was brought to this country by him. The colonel gave Thanatopsis to an advertising executive who, in turn, donated it to James Monks, her current owner and narrator on "The Tales of the Black Cat." When Monks was offered the narration assignment, he hit upon the idea of using Thanatopsis (Greek for "meditation on death"). Viewers are agreed that it couldn't have happened to a nicer Manx-Siamese.

Unlike most animals performers on TV, Thanatopsis can do no tricks and exhibits not the slightest desire to learn, yet she is completely at ease before the TV camras. Cameramen swear that she knows just what camera to meow, yawn or look into at just the proper time. When a camera is in operation, two red lights turn on near the lenses. Maybe they are what attract Thanatopsis' attention.

Thanatopsis has already presented Monks with two litters, the last of which arrived a little more than a month ago. The more recent batch caused Thanatopsis to miss one performance and a daughter, Sophisti, from her first marriage, filled in for her.

The phone calls Monks gets from people who insists that the cat belongs to them (and he gets many of these) don't disturb him as much as the complaint he recently received from the ASPCA. The organization claimed that Monks made a practice of snapping her back in order to make Thanatopsis register unusual facial expressions. Monks maintains that her behavior on the show (when she isn't on camera she purrs contentedly) is the strongest refutation of the charge.

A few weeks ago, a viewer called to say that her little tomcat watched the show every night and had become smitten



SEEN ON VIDEO—Above is pictured Actor James Monks and the now famous television cat, Thanatopsis, which may be seen in "Tales of the Black Cat". Thanatopsis is black, as you can see, and she is building up quite an audience. We'll bet many a television puss at home makes for catnip when he sees Thany on the screen over WCBS every Tuesday night out of New York.

with Thanatopsis. Could a meeting be arranged? Monks is still considering the suggestion. He is also pondering an offer from Harry Conover, a confirmed TV fan, to sign the cat to a modeling contract.

One of the most frequent inquiries about Thanatopsis from cat fanciers is "How does she manage to have such

glossy, black hair?" Monks' standard answer is, "I feed her a cupful of wheat germ every morning." Blissfully unconcerned about the commotion she has created, the cat is serene in the assurance that she is one actress who knows where her next meal is coming from. She can also lay claim to being the only performer who gets letters asking whether she is male or female.

Odd bits of info: She dislikes milk and lost weight rapidly when Monks first got her until he put her on a diet consisting mainly of beefsteak.

Her salary is 10 dollars a week. She is the mother of ten, her last litter consisting of six youngsters.

Mrs. Dorothy Hyman, R.R.1, Crestwood, Ky., is new secretary of the Kentucky Cat Club. Mrs. Irving Clark is president; Mrs. Marget Gergamini, vice-president; Mrs. Loraine Weisemann, treasurer; and Miss Gladys Pierce, auditor.

TARHEELS HOLD PARTY TO FIND RHUBARB WITH SOUTHERN ACCENT

North Carolinians, in an effort to have a Tarheel cat become a movie star and appear in the title role of "Rhubarb", staged a contest in Winston-Salem late in January.

The event is the first of its kind to be held as a promotional venture, tying up with the eagerly-awaited motion picture of a cat that inherits a major league baseball team. The Winston-Salem Journal-Sentinel and Radio Station WSJS sponsored the affair and attracted eight contestants with their owners.

A banquet was held for the cats consisting of sardines served on plates by a waiter from the Hotel Robert E. Lee. Bob Scott, WSJS sports commentator, was master of ceremonies and interviewed the entries and their owners on the radio.

"Fluffy" Whiteman, a tabby owned by Mrs. J. R. Whiteman, was the nearest approach to "Rhubarb", or rather what the famed Rhubarb is supposed to look like. According to his mistress, Fluffy sleeps in a basket with a dog, also he can really climb trees. "Fluffy's just like a bird on a tree," Mrs. Whiteman revealed on the radio.

First to arrive for the contest was "Ted" Cummings, a tabby, all dolled

up in a large red ribbon. He is owned by Miss Shelby Cummings. The second cat, "Muggs Hamboli," and owned by Mrs. Elsie Thompson, arrived in a sack. Mrs. Thompson feared for the lives of the other contestants. But "Muggs" a long-haired rascal, was very gentle, and spent most of the contest devouring sardines.

A rainbow-colored cat, Pinto, owned by Miss Gay Bryant, was out of sorts. This was because her owner insisted on washing her feet before bringing her to the contest. Miss Bryant stated that Pinto sleeps in a bed with her head on a pillow and a blanket pulled up around her neck. She can open doors, but her best talent is having kittens, which up until contest time, had reached a grand total of 34. Miss Bryant addressed Pinto as "Doll Baby," although she informed all who asked her that Pinto was her (the cat's) name.

Next entry to appear was Suzie, a white cat owned by Miss Ann Vance. Her mistress reported that she only ate dog food, but that she couldn't stand dogs. In fact when she saw a dog she showed a clean pair of heels.

Then came Molotov, owned by Miss Carol Ann Munroe, who is called "Tovvy". When the sponsors learned that a cat named Molotov was entered in the contest, they planned on seeing a red cat. However, Molotov is black and white.

The only entry to arrive by automobile was "Fluffy" Beasley. He was an all white cat with large orange eyes and spent the entire afternoon sitting on Miss Florence Beasley's lap. He had nothing much to say or do and appeared to be bored by everything including the sardines, although he ate his share and would have gulped down more, except that Miss Beasley was afraid that an automobile ride back home and a stomach loaded with sardines would not mix very well. The car's upholstery, you know.

Miss Carolyn Walker brought the last contestant. His name was Blackjack, although when only a kitten he answered (after a fashion) to the name of Canasta.

Another cat entered in the contest just couldn't make it. His mistress, Mrs. G. H. Roberts did arrive, but Wally Wally didn't. Mrs. Roberts and the preacher's wife, she said, "chased Wally Wally all over the church yard", but couldn't catch him. However, Mrs. Roberts came with a bandage on her arm. She did want to bring him.

Pinto won the prize for being the oldest cat—five years, and received a catnip mouse. Ted was the youngest being but five months old.

The big contest was brought to a close after photos were taken to be shipped to Hollywood and somebody remarked that "Many are called, but few are chosen," which had little or nothing whatsoever to do with the party to select a Rhubarb with a southern drawl.



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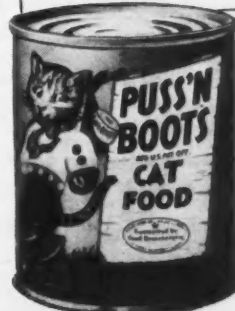
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The Cat and The Dog

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Her new home at Adam's house pleased the cat, who found enough mice to satisfy her appetite; and Adam, of course, was pleased to know that the mice were destroyed and that his food was in no danger of being spoiled.

The dog on the other hand, went through a bad time. Meeting a wolf, he asked for a night's lodging, which was readily granted him. During the night he heard steps approaching and warned his host. The wolf, after telling the dog to drive any strangers away, went to sleep again. But the visitors were wild animals. All night through, the dog barked and fought, and when morning came he decided to seek fresh shelter. He went from one animal to another, until at last a kindly sheep told him he could stay with her. But, again, in the night he woke to hear steps approach—and, obeying his host, he barked and tried to chase away the robbers, who, as it happened, were wolves. They managed to enter the barn and they killed the sheep.

His only friend gone, the dog knocked

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Marguerite Mabie Elected C. F. A President

MYRTLE K. SHIPE NOW SECRETARY

Mrs. Marguerite Saxby Mabie of Sharon, Mass., president of the Boston Cat Club and nationally known judge, was elected president of the Cat Fanciers' Association at its annual meeting in New York, Thursday, February 22. She succeeds Mrs. Myrtle K. ShiPe of Detroit, who was successful in her bid for secretary of the association.

Mrs. Mabie won over Mrs. John H. Revington of Bristol, Tenn., while Mrs. ShiPe defeated Mrs. Claire Y. O'Bryon of Scarsdale, N. Y.

Mrs. Bess H. Morse of Hollywood, Calif., was elected vice-president and Mrs. Carl F. Rotter of Minneapolis, Minn., was elected second vice-president. Mrs. Morse is best known for activities in connection with the strong California

Cat Club and its annual Hollywood exhibition. Mrs. Rotter, a well-known judge, is president of the Twin City Cat Fanciers.

Miss L. M. Goodwin of Teaneck, N. J. was reelected treasurer, but stepped aside in favor of Mrs. Morse for the office of vice-president, which she held. It marked the first time that two vice-presidents were elected. Neither Mrs. Morse nor Mrs. Rotter have been officers in the association before.

Two changes resulted in the make up of the Executive Board, with Miss Elsie G. Hydon of Bogota, N. J., former president of the association taking over from D. Dean-Henderson of Toronto, Canada, and Mrs. Carl A. Spencer of Alexandria, Va., succeeding Miss L. M. Goodwin. Reelected to membership on the Board were Mrs. Marguerite Saxby Mabie, Mrs. Myrtle K. ShiPe, Mrs. Claire Y. O'Bryon, Mrs. John S. Hunter of Mount Vernon, N. Y., and Mrs. Anthony Avata of Manhasset, N. Y. Four were elected to two years' tenure—Miss Hydon, Mrs. Spencer, Mrs. Mabie and Mrs. Hunter. Mrs. Avata, Mrs. O'Bryon and Mrs. ShiPe are down for one year terms.

Mrs. Mabie won over Mrs. Revington, 89-77, a margin of twelve votes. Each club in the Association in "good standing"—dues paid—casts three votes. The 12-vote margin therefore represents a difference of four clubs, by which Mrs. Mabie won over the opponent.

Mrs. Morse defeated Mrs. Lillian E. Limpert of Mentor, Ohio for the first vice-presidency, 106-60, while Mrs. Rotter topped Mrs. Lucille Pelton of Hubbard, Ohio, for the second vice-presidency, 101-44. Mrs. Limpert and Mrs. Pelton were nominated for the first time on the Revington slate at the election meeting. The clubs in general did not know of these candidacies.

Mrs. ShiPe defeated Mrs. O'Bryon for the secretaryship, 88-78. It was the lone victory on the Revington slate.

The defeat of the Revington forces eliminated sweeping changes in the general policies of the Cat Fanciers' Association (based on "regional representation" on the Executive Board, and quarterly and annual meetings held in different sections of the nation, among other projects).

Five of the seven Board members elected are Easterners. The two champions for "regional representation" are Mrs. ShiPe, now secretary and past president, and Miss Elsie G. Hydon, for many years president of the Association. Miss Hydon lives in New Jersey, but it is believed that she favors the "regional" setup. Mrs. Carl A. Spencer who lives in Alexandria, Va., is expected to support the East.

Thus it appears that the present policies of the C. F. A. will continue in view of the personnel of the Executive Board. The Board is the ruling force of the C.F.A. and, if the majority is favorable to the President, which it is, there appears little likelihood of any great number of reforms being instituted during the next 12 months. In all probability the "regional representation" project will "die on the vine," and the chances of staging quarterly meetings and the annual in any other place than New York appears exceedingly slim.

As usual, the C.F.A. election was run off by means of the "secret ballot".

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New York State Puss is First 1951 Heroic Cat

Kelly, a pet owned by Mrs. Martin Malia of Grand Gorge, Delaware County, New York, is the first Heroic Cat of 1951.

Despite the name, Kelly is a longhair female.

She aroused her mistress on Tuesday, January 9 and quite possibly saved Mrs. Malia from death by fire.

According to Mrs. Malia, she lighted a

second oil burner in her kitchen stove because of the intense cold. She was about to check the stove prior to turning in for the night when she was interrupted by a telephone call. She went to bed forgetting to look at the stove.

"During the night, Kelly came into the bedroom yowling, and put her two front paws on the bed—she would not get on the bed—and I chased her away with one hand. I couldn't smell the smoke because I had a bad cold," Mrs. Malia explained.

A short time later, Kelly returned to the bed and repeated her performance. Thinking that the cat wanted to go out, Mrs. Malia got up and started for the kitchen where she found flames shooting from the stove, and the entire room filled with smoke.

She rushed to the phone and called

the fire department.

Kelly is the fourth New York state cat to have performed an heroic act. The following New York state cats have been awarded CATS Magazine Heroic Cat medals in the past:

JOE LOUIS for sounding alarm when fire broke out in the home of his owners, Mr. and Mrs. Meryl Smith at Ilion, N. Y., on November 12, 1949. Four lives saved.

BOOTS, for sounding alarm when fire broke out in apartment, housing nine families. Cat aroused her mistress Mrs. Marguerite Clark of Utica, N. Y. on September 17, 1950. Sixteen children lived in apartment.

KITTY FOO, for sounding alarm for fire by arousing her master, Daniel Van Dette of Buffalo, N. Y. on November 6, 1950. Four lives saved.

CFA SHOW DATES POINTS ANNOUNCED

At a meeting of the Executive Board of the Cat Fanciers' Association on February 14 at New York City, dates for the 1951-52 show season were approved, as well as point ratings allotted shows staged during the past season.

The show dates follow:

Oct. 20-21—Washington Cat Fanciers, Washington, D. C.

Oct. 27-28—North Shore Cat Club, Chicago, Ill.

Nov. 30-Dec. 1—Boston Cat Club

Dec. 1-2—Ohio State Persian Club, Columbus, Ohio.

Dec. 1-2—North Texas Cat Club, Dallas, Tex.

Jan. 19-20—Detroit Persian Society, Inc.

The point ratings follow:

Honolulu Cat Club 4

Norfolk Cat Fanciers, Siamese Sp. 2

Golden Gate Cat Club All Breed 4

National Siamese Cat Club Spec. 4

Solid Color of the West Spec. 4

American Tabby & Tortie Spec. 1

Boston Cat Club All-Breed 4

Siamese Cat Club of New

England Spec. 4

Solid Color Club of the East Spec. 1

California Cat Club All-Breed 4

California Silver Fanciers Spec. 4

California Solid Collor

Fanciers Spec. 2

Ohio State Persian Club All-Breed 4

San Diego Cat Fanciers All-Breed 4

National Siamese Cat Club Spec. 4

California Solid Color Spec. 2

Empire Cat Club All-Breed 4

National Siamese Cat Club Spec. 4

San Joaquin Cat Fanciers

All-Breed 4

National Siamese Cat Club Spec. 1

Solid Color Society of the West

Spec. 3

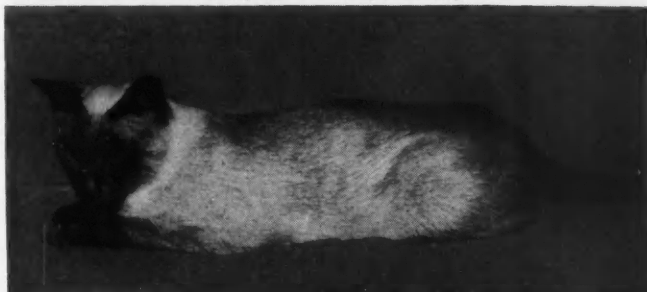
C. F. F. HOLDS ANNUAL IN NEW YORK CITY, APRIL 5

Annual meeting of the Cat Fancier's Federation will be held at New York City, Thursday, April 5, time and place to be announced, according to an announcement by Mrs. Ralph A. Wilkinson, secretary of the Federation.

The Suburban Cat Club, Inc., has been accepted to membership. Mrs. Hazel Bayer, 3444 24th Street, S. E. Washington, D. C. is secretary.

The Badger Feline Fanciers and the Chicago Cat Club have been dropped from membership in the Federation.

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CAT AS RHUBARB FINALLY FOUND FOR MOVIE ROLE

Orangey, an 18-pound alley cat, owned by Mrs. Agnes Murray of Sherman Oaks, Calif., has been selected for the title role of "Rhubarb" in the Paramount picture which goes into production during this month.

The cat was selected after William Perlberg and George Seaton, the producers, viewed nearly 500 felines and carefully checked more than 3,000 letters from cat owners from all over the world.

Orangey will co-star with Ray Milland and Jan Sterling in this hilarious tale of a cat which inherited thirty million dollars and a big league baseball team. Like other stars, Orangey will have his own stand-in for the film.

Orangey, homeless and ill, wandered into the garden of Mrs. Murray two and a half years ago. Mrs. Murray fed it and nursed it back to health and Orangey thereupon adopted the family and refused to leave. His affections, however, are limited to the Murrays. He snarls and spits at the approach of anyone else and is the family's "watchdog".

It has also been announced that Frank Inn has received the assignment to train the 35-plus cats slated to work in "Rhubarb". He has directed coyotes, rats, birds and even bats in motion pictures for many years.

Inn will have about four weeks to coach the cats in such tricks as riding bareback atop a bulldog, retrieving golf balls, spitting, kissing and sleeping on cue.

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A. E. ALBERA, WINNER OF 1949 PICTURE OF YEAR, CAPTURES MARCH SELECTION WITH SIAMESE

A. E. Albera of Denver, Colorado, is the winner of the Cat Picture of the Month of March prize award sponsored by the American Crabmeat Co., Inc., of Boston, Mass., manufacturer of Three Little Kittens All-Fish Cat Food, in conjunction with CATS Magazine. Mr. Albera will receive a \$25 U. S. Government Series E. bond. His photograph also becomes eligible for the title of Cat Picture of the Year (1951), which carries with it a grand prize of a \$100 U. S. Government Series E bond.

In addition, the winning photograph becomes the official seal of 1952 National Cat Week.

The Denver photographer is an old hand at winning prize awards with cat pictures. His photo of a pair of Siamese kittens "shooting craps" won the 1949 Eleventh Annual Newspaper National Snapshot Awards, totaling \$1,500. A picture similar to this with virtually the same pose also was declared the 1949 Cat Picture of the Year.

Mr. Albera and his wife are well known in Denver as breeder-exhibitors of Siamese. Mr. Albera was manager of the Colorado Cat Fanciers exhibition at Denver last month.

The Colorado entry marks the first Siamese to be selected and is the first winner outside the East. The January Cat Picture of the Month showed a group of Abyssinian kittens owned by a Buffalo, N. Y. fancier. February's entry was a blue-eye White Persian from New Hampshire.

According to the American Crabmeat Company representative, Mr. Harvey P. Newcomb, the contest is moving along extremely well. "We have had an overwhelming response with some excellent photographs".

Mr. Newcomb also added that a great many pictures have been cut out of newspapers and magazines and submitted for consideration. Such clippings are not eligible and were discarded. The pictures must be actual photographs and entered according to the rules of the

contest. Receipt of the entries will NOT be acknowledged, and all pictures submitted become the property of the American Crabmeat Company.

Photos have been received from every section of the United States, showing the wide scope of the promotion and the interest created. Nearly every newspaper column devoted to picture-taking—and there are quite a few—as well as camera magazines and writers' periodicals have carried information about the Contest. Cat show catalogs also have display ad announcements about the Contest. However, CATS Magazine is quick to point out that the three winners to date are regular subscribers, and in addition to being photographers, are cat owners.

With kitten-time now here, the sponsor (Continued on page 20)

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It took a whirling snow storm and an act of kindness, plus a freezing kitten and a young college guy who knows how to take pictures, to produce America's Number One Cat Photographer.

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During the winter of 1947-48, a New York University student trudged through a blinding snow blizzard heading home after a long drawn-out day in the classrooms. It was a wild storm that pelted things to a standstill and covered everything with white. The student shoved along through the mounting snow and hugged the building sides as he entered his neighborhood.

There between the whirling snowflakes, huddled on a doorstep, was a snow-flecked ball of fur. The student saw it and stooped. A plaintive squeaky

meow came from the fur, and the strong fingers enveloped the kitten and shoved their way inside the mackinaw of their owner. With his other hand he brushed off the snow from the sticky-wet fur and pushed the frail boney body to the warmth by his side. Two tiny golden eyes blinked pathetically.

A few more steps and the student turned into the door of his home. Soon the kitten was on the kitchen table, eagerly lapping warm milk from a saucer. Then it looked up into the eyes of its benefactor as if to say, "Thanks, mister!"

Walter Chandoha flipped two fingers on the text book by the saucer. The kit stared a moment and then quickly darted a paw to allay the wiggling fingers. Then he purred . . .

Walter Chandoha crushed an empty cigarette package and tossed it to the linoleum floor. The kit hopped down and darted at the crumpled makeshift toy to send it sliding under the stove. The game between the kit and the toy continued.

Walter picked up his Rolleiflex camera. A few adjustments, focus, click, a picture!

That was the beginning!

It was from that moment that Walter Chandoha embarked upon his unusual and spectacular photographic career to become, in a very few months, **THE BEST CAT PHOTOGRAPHER IN THE WORLD!**

Understand, Walter Chandoha was not an amateur photographer! After his graduation from Bayonne, N. J. High School where he first became interested in photography, Walter worked commercially making pictures for advertising. Then in 1942, Uncle Sam sent him "Greetings!" and soon he was in the Pacific serving as a combat photographer in the island-hopping project carrying him through New Guinea, Borneo, the Philippines and finally Japan. He was discharged in 1946 and entered New York University under the G. I. Bill of Rights.

"I entered the School of Commerce in September 1946 and graduated with a BS degree", Chandoha writes, "and with two choices—to work in the advertising field writing copy, or to pursue a career started while in college—photographing cats. I chose the latter because it is the most interesting."

Chandoha is quick to point out that he never considered taking pictures of cats and kittens until he rescued that one from the snow storm. Yet he has owned a cat ever since childhood.

When Walter took the shots of that storm-swept kitten in his kitchen that night, little did he know then that he was destined to greater heights in Cat Photography. He figured he must have done a pretty good job with his kitten model and camera when he attended the Lens Club of Bayonne, N. J., and passed around his pictures. Well sir, the photos were terrific! The club members raved!

Within twenty-four hours the picture editors of several New York newspapers and magazines called requesting samples of the photos. Then followed interviews from advertising agencies, and after the first photos appeared in print, the stampede was on for Chandoha to take every conceivable kind of picture.

One of the first big commercial projects and an extremely unusual one was the "house organ" entitled "CAT-A-LOG", published by the Ethicon Suture Laboratories, Inc., of New Brunswick. You probably have seen this brilliant folio of cat photographs covering 23 sparkling studies. Humorous titles rela-



HE DID IT—This is Tabby, who as a kitten was saved by Walter Chandoha, America's top-ranking cat photographer. Tabby became Walter's feline model and caused his master to devote his picture-taking to cats exclusively. Yes, this is a Chandoha shot of Tabby.
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World's Best Cat Photographer



WATCH THE BIRDIE—That is Walter Chandoha, America's best cat photographer, in action. Now you know how it is done. Kitten is on the April cover of CATS Magazine in the first of a series of brilliant photographs, made special by Mr. Chandoha.

ting to activities in a hospital as interpreted by doctors, nurses and patients round out this classic. You see, the Ethicon Suture Laboratories caters to the medical profession.

The "CAT-A-LOG" made its debut at the annual convention of the American Medical Association convention at San Francisco in June 1950. Twenty thousand copies of the publication were distributed. There has since been three additional printings, and the demand continues.

Today, Walter Chandoha has gone all-out for cat pictures. He has more than 3,000 negatives from which editors can select striking prints. The increase in the use of cat pictures in advertising copy makes Walter and his favorite subjects in great demand.

His photographs are so spectacular that no props or background is required in his prints. This means that he is able to capture those unusual expressions that one sees only when watching the antics of a kitten or cat. How does he capture these expressions? Well sir, Chandoha knows cats and kittens and understands them thoroughly.

With his knowledge of the felines, he just works it into bits of food, toys, catnip and "cat talk". And the camera does the rest!

"My models come from all walks of cat life. The alley cat and the pampered pet are both photographed," he writes. "Grocery store and chicken market cats have posed for me, as have grand champions and homeless strays at the Greenwich Village Humane League in New York City."

Kittens, he believes, make his best models because they are far easier to work with than adult cats, and they are not afraid of people.

So it took a snow storm and a kitten to mould a new and different kind of a career for a G. I. Added to it are patience and understanding and love of his career and the frolicking little model subjects about him. That is what makes Chandoha the very best in the business.

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Arrogant breed, implacable and proud,
Peering through bars, indulgent, opulent,
Gazing, world-weary, at the dotting
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Judges pin winning ribbons, regal,
mauve,
Over the cages as the owners beam,
While sleek felines look on, indifferent,
Delicately Oriental in their guile.

They wonder if the show will ever end
As they survey the horse-meat, feel the
comb,
They wait the packing-up with eager
mien,
Long for the closing-hour and going
home.

PERCEPTION

By Faith W. Metcalf

My feline knows me inside out
And every human,
Sometimes I'd like a pet about
With less acumen.

Of all God's creatures there is only one than cannot be made
the slave of the lash. That one is the cat. If man could be
crossed with the cat, it would improve man, but it would deterior-
ate the cat.

—Mark Twain

*A cat pours his body on the floor like water. It is restful just
to see him.*

—William Lyon Phelps

PUSSY'S I. Q.

By Naomi Burrell

Don't come near my kitty
With her sapphire eyes agleam,
And white paws soft and pretty
And curling tail with sheen.

Unless your heart is tender
And you welcome her by name,
For she can sense your temper,
Whether kind or inhumane.

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TO MY CAT

By Marie C. Lafrenz

Your dignity, your haughtiness and poise
All make me wonder if perhaps you know
Your ancestors were worshipped once, as gods
Beside the Nile, in Egypt, long ago.
There's grace and rhythm in your every move,
Your fierce green eyes can see through anything;
You let me stroke your lordly, silken head
As though it were a tribute due a king.
Though glad enough to share my home and food,
Still you will never quite let me forget
That this is condescension on your part.
You'll be my friend but never just a pet.
If I have pleased you greatly you may purr,
Jump on my lap, or rub against my hand,
But never dare I force myself on you,
Such impudence you simply cannot stand.
An ancient savagery is in your eyes,
A spark domestication cannot touch,
Mysterious, indifferent and aloof,
That's just why I admire you so much.

CATS

By Lord Dunsany

Wisdom it has from of yore
Touching all things that concern it,
And all that I know of its lore
Is that I shall never learn it.

UBASTI

By Gelett Burgess

Of all the theocratic beasts
Adored of old with spontaneity
And offered sacrificial feasts,
I am the sole surviving deity.

The sacred sacerdotal cow
Is bred for leather, milk and sirloin;
The Ibis, Hawk, and Jackal, now,
Their meager rations have to purloin.

Still I am worshipped and supreme;
Millions of slaves propitiate me
With offerings of flesh and cream,
With richest ribbons decorate me.

And still aloof in placid ease,
With phosphorescent eyes mysterious,
Watching my human devotees,
I reign, contemptuous and imperious.

I have the jungle in my heart,
But midnight prowlings atavistic
Do not prevent my daylight part
In scenes serene and socialistic.

Idlest of creatures and most brisk,
Most beautiful, with grace resplendent,
I purr or scratch, rove, rest or frisk,
Slothful or spry, but independent.

I am myself—and that is that!
Obedience never did appeal to me.
I am the proud Aristo-Cat,
Felis Domestica—so kneel to me!

ELEGY

By Christina Rossetti

(Age 15 upon death of her pet cat)
Who shall tell the lady's grief
When her pet was past relief?
Who shall number the hot tears
Shed o'er her, beloved for years?
Of a noble race she came
And Grimalkin was her name.
Whoever passes by
The poor grave where puss doth lie
Softly, softly let him tread
Nor disturb her narrow bed.

ANTI-CAT BILL IS UP TO THE CAT OWNERS

By RALPH MORRIS

"Know Your Cats", KFI-TV Los Angeles

January witnessed the introduction in the California State Assembly of a Bill authored by Lester T. Davis (D) of Portola district, under the title of Assembly Bill No. 1283. This is a measure that could almost totally restrict cats on a state-level.

Fortunately, all our elected representatives at Sacramento are not of the same belief as is Hon. Lester T. Davis.

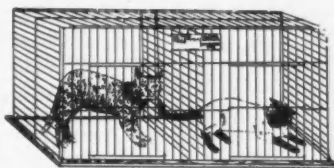
An elected representative should show sufficient understanding to recognize impossibilities of enforcement, duplication of regulatory matter already contained in existing laws, nuisance values, and in short, ideas that are sometimes regarded as slightly "off the beam". It is upon these rational-minded legislators that we Californians must pin our hopes for complete rejection of senseless legislation, when this comes to a vote in "the House."

There is little need to call attention of cat owners to certain points of the Bill other than that it would be practically impossible of enforcement. It is not necessary to delve into the nuisance value of such a Bill nor to mention the woeful injustice that could accrue therefrom, nor to evaluate the damage that farmers and others would suffer if their cats were subject to such restriction. All these salient points are well known by most thinking adults who are not innate cat-haters. So I will not go further into the utter futility of such legislation. I shall only urge action with a capital "A".

This Anti-cat Bill has not as yet been voted upon by the House. There is yet time for every loyal Californian to write to his or her Assemblyman at Sacramento, and to the Senators, urging a "NO!" vote when this Assembly Bill Number 1283 is up for a vote. It is also a wise thought to write our good

Governor, Hon. Earl Warren at Sacramento, suggesting that he use his veto power in the event that the Bill should pass the legislature (It will be remembered that Illinois was recently saved from similar legislation only by the Governor's veto after such a Bill had passed its legislature.) A volume of protests from the voting public, business men, farmers, public spirited citizens, is the guiding factor that may determine the fate of the Bill. Get going, you California cat owners—write that letter TODAY!

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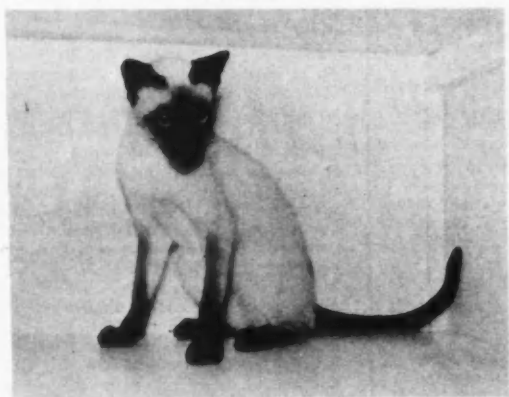
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CAT TAILS . . . by **Billie Bancroft**

Associate Editor

Ann Lou Wilson, who lives in Beloit, Wisconsin, writes me that her White Persian is no doubt a genius of sorts. There are two other cats in the home but Mark Anthony is the master-mind of the three. The other day he was watching the TV. There was a large black cat sitting on a chair. Mark Anthony began to hiss and splutter, then with a deep growl which would have done credit to a bull dog, he dashed to the top of the radio cocked his head to one side and darted behind it. In a few minutes he came out—looking oh so sheepish! One of the other cats wanted to play with him, but he slapped her viciously and continued to sulk the rest of the morning. Another time he was given some chopped meat. He turned it down because he knew there was turkey in the ice-box. He nosed his dish over to Sweet Sarah, who never seems to get enough to eat no matter how much she is given. He waited patiently until she finished, then he went to Ann Lou and begged piteously for just a wee, wee bit of turkey. (Certainly he got it—he wraps that whole Wilson family right around his two big feet).

This morning I received a clipping from up New York state. It was taken from an old publication called The Cat

Journal. (I would greatly appreciate a copy of this magazine from any of my readers, and I will return it to them by registered mail). The clipping goes as follows:

I am my mother's only little cat!
think of that!
Sometimes my mistress takes me
for a call;
Then mother says, "Clarinda,
mind, my dear,
So don't look pert and don't put
back your ears
That way like any sheep."

Down in Patterson, New Jersey there is a furniture store that has a corner location with show windows facing two streets. Just before Christmas, one window was decorated as a living room, fire place, easy chairs, stockings hung up at the fire place, old fashioned braided rugs. The room was homey, comfortable and looked very much lived in. One day there was quite a crowd collected before this window. More and more lookers stopped, smiled, and lingered. The manager of the store was congratulating himself on such a good home display. He left the store for lunch, and curiously paused to hear the comments. Looking into the window he saw Mary Jane, the store cat stretched out before the fire place her three kit-

tens romping and tumbling all around her. (The furniture people knew that she had babies, but they had been unable to find them. That morning she had moved them into their spot-light home). Yes, they stayed right there until after the New Year. That window was a conversation piece for many days. Santa Clause from down the street wanted to go in and share Mary Jane's home, but he was turned down. The furniture people felt that she had earned her right to her place in the window.

A breeder from Chicago writes me that she is having troubles. She just cannot keep her Cat Books at home. Some novice come along and buys a kitten from her, and ends up by taking a couple of books regarding their care and feeding. Then she has to go after the books to get them home. She is kindhearted but very much annoyed. Now she has written in all her cat books these lines. "I wish some kind Burbankian guy would cross my cat-books with homing pigeons".

Gin Ricky is a short hair, property of Chuck Gardner out in Northwood, North Dakota. He is very much in love with a Collindale Cream who lives next door, and from all indications the little queen loves him too. He dug a deep hole under his fence that separated him from his lady-love but that was not the only difficulty. She was confined in a glassed-in sun porch. He tried to dig in there, too. Finally he gave up so he sat on one side of the window, she on the other. And they talked and talked and talked. He explained he would never—no never—leave her. She promised to stop eating until her mistress let her out. The next day there was no little queen waiting. She had been taken inside the house. Gin Ricky cursed and swore and ranted. He would not be consoled. The neighbors began to make complaints. Three doors away was a Methodist Church. He disrupted the Sunday School. He climbed to the church window and moaned. They tried to shoo him away but Gin Ricky had sworn a swear, vowed a vow. He would not behave until his little queen came back to the sun porch. Chuck took him on a visit to his grandmother twenty miles away. There he met a coquettish tortoiseshell that caught his attention on the rebound. Oh male feline—thou art so fickle!

They were just about to put the finishing touches on the Green County Memorial Hospital in Xenia, Ohio, when a short-haired queen of feline species walked in, gave birth to four kittens, and was duly registered as the institution's first patient,—Mrs. Aly Catt. The Memorial Hospital has a magnificent maternity wing. The four cat-babies and the little mother are doing very well, thank you!

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EMPIRE CAT CLUB SPONSORS "PURR" AWARDS FOR INTEREST

The Empire Cat Club of New York, in conjunction with its annual show and exhibition, has instituted a series of awards for the most effective use of a cat (any breed) in a commercial advertisement or on the cover of a national magazine.

The citations, known as PURR awards were made at the Club's show held January 26-27 at the McAlpin Hotel in New York City.

Through the PURR Awards, the Empire Club hopes to encourage the public relations job that advertisers and publishers are doing for the cat—creating an appreciation and awareness of the cat as a hearthstone friend.

Not eligible for the Awards were the advertisements and covers of manufacturers and companies directly associated with cat products. Also not eligible were books and pamphlets written entirely about felines.

The following were the selections this year:

1951 Winner's Ribbon PURR to Bigelow-Sanford Carpet Company for its outstanding presentation of a Siamese in its four-color Rhapsody advertisement which appeared in "House Beautiful," "House and Garden," "The New Yorker" and "Town and Country".

1951 Blue Ribbon PURR to:

E. R. Squibb & Sons for "the most graphic presentation of a cat as a friend"—cat sleeping in the paws of a protecting dog in Company's institutional series, "From Experience Comes Faith . . ." It

appeared in trade and general publications.

"Woman's Home Companion" for its February 1950 cover—two tabby kittens—"1950-51's most appealing presentation of kittens."

Youngstown Kitchens for "the best use of a cat and cat characteristics to illustrate a sales story." The ad for Youngstown Food Waste Disposer appeared in many "shelter" magazines.

Bloomington's for local (New York City) retail advertising—"the use of the cat to increase applications for part-time employment."

International Printing Ink Division of Interchemical Corporation for "the most graphic presentation" of the cat as a trusting friend. Its advertisement, in trade media, showed a sleeping tabby and toy.

"American Magazine" for its February 1950 cover—an appealing combination of human and kitten models—a girl and a Persian kitten, "The Eyes Have It".

"Family Circle" for its February 1951 cover—basketful of Seal Point

Empire Cat Club Scores Movie Felines

The Empire Cat Club of New York has launched a campaign to obtain a more understanding treatment of the cat in animated cartoon shorts. The club points out that the cat is all too often the butt of the pen and the film cartoon, whereas he is in reality of great service to mankind as well as an affectionate and loyal friend.

The campaign was initiated in the form of a letter sent to film companies and the comic strip artists, as follows:

"Cats are not villains."

"Cats are not despicable creatures, rather they are friends of mankind."

"While cats have a sense of humor and are frequently amusing, they do not deserve being made the butt of ill-treatment for comedy on the screen."

"One of the first forms of entertainment enjoyed by children is the screen comic, and therefore millions of children and the public in general are being given an adverse picture of cats through their treatment on the screen."

"We therefore respectfully suggest that efforts be made by your organization to correct the erroneous portrayal of cats in pictures produced by your company."

"It is our feeling at this time that it will not be necessary to go beyond you good officers to achieve better screen relations for the cat, although we are prepared to do everything possible to correct the cat-villain representation that has been created and fostered in screen comics."

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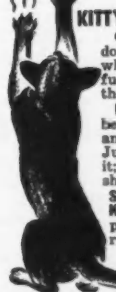
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Allied Van Lines, Inc., for "the best use of a cat and cat characteristics to illustrate a sales story" in its series "No. 1 Specialists in Local Moving" which appeared in "Good Housekeeping," "Time," "Newsweek" and "Traffic World".

United States Rubber Co., Lastex Division, for the use of kittens to show the soft friendly touch of Lastex yarn.

Crucible Steel Company of America for its amusing "alley cat to pampered pet" advertisement for special purpose stools, which appeared in the February 10th issue of "Saturday Evening Post", and which has appeared in Crucible's trade series (Business Week, etc.) Special PURRS were presented to:

The Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad for the "Chessie" ad with the appeal "sleep like a kitten"—the ad that brought national fame and a warm regard for "Chessie" and all her sister cats—"Was that her tail or her paw sticking out of the covers?"

The National Carbon Division of the Union Carbide and Carbon Corporation for "outstanding presentation of cat characteristics" as shown in its "Eveready Cat" trade mark used in advertisements which first appeared in 1951.

Earl Selby, columnist, recently issued his diatribe against cats in The Philadelphia Bulletin, and now Mrs. Josephine Adams in a letter to the Bulletin wonders if there is a sinister reason behind all of Mr. Selby's rancor.

She quotes from a great Indian philosopher who said, "The haters of cats must have been rats in a previous incarnation."

Earl, you didn't really think you could end such a personal and momentous controversy, did you?

GREATER ST. LOUIS

At St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 18-19, C.F.A. rules.

ALL-BREED

Best. Best Ch.—Great Lakes Timothy of Rosemont, bl. m., Mrs. Frances Rosierowski.
Best Opp.—Southland's Julie, blk. f., Mrs. Foster Prather.
Best Opp. Sex Ch.—Vee Roi's Dream Girl, s. p. siam. f., Mrs. R. H. Hecht.
Best Nov.—Fernwood's Son of Cheru Bino, blk. m., Mrs. O. Semble.
Best Opp. Sex Nov.—Siesta Chiquita, bl. cr. f., Mrs. T. C. Trent.
Best Kit.—Northland Blue Boy, bl. m., Mr. M. J. Rockwell.
Best Opp. Kit.—Lady Belle, bl. f., Mrs. Marian Bell.
Best S. H.—Vee's Blue Knight, b. p. siam. m., Mrs. R. H. Hecht.
Best Dom. S. H.—Silver Ace of Vee Roi, silv. tby. m., Mrs. R. H. Hecht.
Judge—Mrs. Lillian Limpert.
SOLID COLOR
Best. Best Ch.—Great Lakes Timothy of Rosemont.

Best Opp.—Chesterfield Daphne, bl. f., Mrs. Ethel Kingsland.
Best Opp. Ch.—Stray's Ball O' Flame, red f., Mrs. Archie Stray.
Best Nov.—Bluebeard's Beau Charlack, blk. m., Mrs. Cornelia Preston.
Best Opp. Nov.—Chesterfield Daphne.
Best Kit.—Northland Blue Boy.
Best Opp. Kit.—Stray's Pink Gold, cr. f., Mrs. Archie Stray.
Best S. H.—Dunloe Blue Silk of Vee Roi, russ. bl. f., Mrs. R. H. Hecht.

TABBIE AND TORTIE

Best—Rosemont's Debutante, bl. cr. f., Mrs. Frances Kosierowski.
Best Opp.—Silver Ace of Vee Roi.
Best Ch.—Winsome Peg of Gallus, brn. tby. f., Mrs. Carl A. Hahn.
Best Opp. Ch.—Silver Ace of Vee Roi.
Best Nov.—Siesta Chiquita.
Best Opp. Nov.—Fugi-No-Mime, silv. tby. m., Mrs. Otto Hensley.
Best Kit.—Miss Velvet, bl. cr. f., Mrs. Mildred Schumacher.
Best Opp. Kit.—Vee Roi's Red Prince, red tby. m., Mrs. R. H. Hecht.
Best For S. H.—Winsome Peg of Gallus.
Best Dom. S. H.—Silver Ace of Vee Roi.
Judge—Mrs. Marguerite Saxby Mabie.

ATLANTIC CAT CLUB

At New York, Dec. 12-13, CFF Rules.

ALL-BREED

Best—Northledge Agapanthus, bl. m., Mrs. Alice North.
Best Opp.—Jo-Em-Ette Valiant Madonna, b. e. wh. f., Anthony DeSantis.
Best Ch.—Chief Cloud Topper, o. e. wh. m., Billie Bancroft.
Best Opp. Ch.—Plumfield Patsy of Rosegate, bl. cr., Anthony DeSantis.
Best Nov.—Northledge Wisteria, bl. f., Mrs. Alice North.
Best Opp. Nov.—Best For S. H.—Tsin-Bad Soong, s. p. siam. m., Mrs. Bertha Dragoo.
Best Kit.—Tally-Ho, o. e. wh. m., Earl Cromwell.
Best Opp. Kit.—Avon's Lucky Day, sh. silv. f., Mrs. H. M. Brewster.
Best Dom. S. H.—Rockridge White Myosotis, b. e. wh. f., Mrs. John S. Hunter.
Judge—Mrs. Wm. K. Hedrick.
SILVER SPECIALTY
Best—Kerry Lu Darlie's Darling of Dunkern, sm. m., Mrs. Helen Koerner.
Best Opp.—Sugar Town Pye of Lowood, silv. f., Mrs. Alfred W. Smith.
Best Ch.—Meadowsweet Flicka of Abbas, silv. tby. f., Mrs. J. D. Hamilton.
Best Opp. Ch.—Pussy Willow's Aztec, Jr., tby. m., Mrs. Helen Picciano.
Best Nov.—Kute Kit Bright Eyes Son of Sunnyknoll, sh. silv. m., Mrs. Norah M. Andrews.
Best Opp. Nov.—Kute Kit Silver Twilight of Sunnyknoll, silv. f., Mrs. Norah M. Andrews.
Best Kit.—Avon's Lucky Day.
Best For S. H.—Ramtal's Babs, silv. tby. mx. f., Mrs. Mary Heist.
Best Dom. S. H.—Aztec's Belinda, silv. tby. f., Mrs. F. W. Freudenthal.
Judge—Mrs. James Richmond.

BOSTON CAT CLUB

At Boston, Mass., Jan. 12-13, C.F.A. rules.

ALL-BREED

Best—Northledge Agapanthus, bl. m., Mrs. Dwight North.
Best Opp.—Best Ch.—Best S. H.—Chindwin's Singumin of Newton, s. p. siam. f., Mrs. Virginia R. Cobb.
Best Opp. Ch.—Casa Loma Cupid, wht. m., Mrs. Rita Swenson.
Best Gr. Ch.—Newton's Jay Tee, s. p. siam. f., Virginia Cobb.
Best Nov.—Kay-Ru Dickie of Bouquet, bl. m., Mrs. Richard Butts.
Best Opp. Nov.—Glad-low's Madame Pompadour, bl. f., Miss Gladys W. Lowe.
Best Kit.—Kay-Ru Winsor, bl. m., Mrs. H. J. G. Rudolf.
Best Opp. Kit.—Blue Stockings of Pe-Ri, b. p. siam. f., Mrs. Mahala Vaughn.
Best Dom. S. H.—Tri-Mt. Sister Earle of Warwick, blk. f., Miss Irma A. Rich.
Judge—Mrs. Lester O'Neill.

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Riverside, N. J. Limits Cats in Home to 2

The borough council of Riverside, N. J., acting on complaints, passed an ordinance limiting the number of cats in one house to two. The Board of Health arrived at the restricted total. The councilmen accepted it. The ordinance was the result of one Riverside family's having 39 cats.

The Cat and The Dog

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night after night at houses begging for shelter, but in vain. Worn out, he came limping to the door of Adam's house, and knocked timidly; and Adam told him he could stay over night.

Darkness fell; the dog heard wild animals approaching, and began to bark. Adam took down his bow and arrows, drove away the intruders and then settled down to sleep, for he knew that the dog would keep watch. Realizing what a useful friend and companion he had found, Adam said he could remain in the house for ever. However, there was the cat to be reckoned with. No sooner had she seen the dog settled comfortably in the house she began to quarrel.

"Did you not promise that you would

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CAMERA EXPERTS PASS ON TIPS

Commenting on the photographing of pets, George Green, Camera Editor of The Boston Globe writes:

"Each animal is an individual. You have to know him just as you do your children. There will be times when he'll just sit for hours taking pose after pose. And there are other times when even catnip or a toy won't hold his attention. Worst of all, just like children, he'll always strike THE POSE when you are out of film or aren't set up.

"The best set-up is to have your lights ready and the setting made on your camera. Don't pay any attention to the animal and be ready to trip the shutter at any second. Be prepared to

kittens that ran away while he was changing flash bulbs."

"You haven't any strobes. All right. Do as Chandoha did in his flashbulb era. I've even had some gorgeous cat shots sent in by an amateur who used only photofloods. He also owned the right kind of cat."

"Put your pet, either cat or dog, on a table, unless he happens to be a Newfoundland model. Use plain background, light or dark according to the color of the animal. If the cat or puppy is very nervous, maybe you can borrow the baby's teddy bear to focus on. Get everything set, lamps in place, before you put the little monster on the table."

"Then entertain your pet. You should know what he likes. Perhaps it would be good strategy to give him a little food in a dish. Or put down some catnip for a cat. One of those scratching logs may please a confirmed upholstery wrecker. A favorite toy may create the right mood. At any rate, watch for lively, funny, angry, snooty, silly, scornful, bored, puzzled, etc., expressions. The one thing that distinguishes Chandoha's work, aside from excellent technique and good lighting, is the wonderful looks on those cat faces.

"He advises taking advantage of kitten sleepiness. Feed them well, let them go to sleep, then rouse them and dangle a toy out of camera range, or make strange noises. They will be too dreamy and surprised to jump down off the table immediately. You might get as many as three shots."

Miss Scacheri also states:

"Specific advice is hard to give, since each animal reacts to some different stimulus, noise, toy or maneuver. But in general I'd say avoid the use of fancy props, and don't dress up the animals. Very scampery creatures may be immobilized by putting them in a box, basket, or large bowl. However, it will be all right with me if I never see another shot of a row of puppies or kittens, each thrust into a sock and pinned up on a line. Let the natural behavior and antics of your pet suggest poses and picture ideas."

THE CAT AND THE DOG

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never come to the house where I was living?" she asked. "You have broken your oath. You must go away."

Adam tried to pacify the cat. "I myself have invited the dog to become my friend and companion," he said. "I can assure you, cat, that you will not be

the loser by his presence. I want you both to stay and be my friends." The dog also entreated the cat to be reasonable and not be so unfriendly. "I promise you I will not touch anything of yours," he said. But it was no use. The cat quarrelled and bickered until the dog could stand it no longer.

He went to the house of one of Adam's sons, Seth, and asked for shelter there. Seth made him welcome and treated him as a guest. Often the dog would trot over to Adam's place and would see the cat and try to be friendly. But the cat refused; and even to this day, the cat and dog are enemies and prefer to live without each other's company.



DORIS HOBBS
Popular C.F.F. Judge

take quite a few exposures because most times you'll just miss getting the right expression. Treat the cat and dog like a baby. Give him something to play with and then take it away—holding the object to produce the correct animation and pose. Or wait until he's sleeping. That's when they posture themselves to give prize winning pictures."

Mable Schacheri, Camera Editor of The New York World-Telegram and Sun writes:

"If you want to get fine cat photographs, choose kittens for models. They have not yet acquired any cynical suspicions of the human race."

"Even that remarkable cat hypnotizer, Walter Chandoha, has far more swell shots of kittens than of cats. Until lately he made all his photographs with flash, setting up the bulbs in stand-lamps and placing them effectively. He is not the one to make a flash shot with one bulb on the camera. He has now acquired some portable strobe lights. These reduce the number of nonchargeable hours he used to put in chasing



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SOLID COLOR

- Best—Northledge Agapanthus.
 Best Opp.—Best Ch.—Azurevale Many of Khyber, bl. f., Mrs. J. Bernard Buzzell.
 Best Opp. Ch.—Casa Loma Cupid.
 Best Nov.—Kay-Ru Dickie of Bouquet.
 Best Opp. Nov.—Pearl Harbor's Lady Godiva, wht. f., Mrs. E. Rebecca Jones.
 Best Kit.—Kay-Ru Winsor.
 Best Opp. Kit.—Wilshire's Blue Gentian, bl. f., Mrs. Howard Sherman.
 Best S. H.—Tri-Mountain Susie, bl. f., Miss Irma A. Rich.
 Judge—Mrs. Marguerite Saxby Mabie.
- SIAMESE SPECIALTY**
 Best Gr. Ch.—Newton's Jay Tee.
 Best Opp.—Millbrook's Ping Pong, s. p. m., Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Roose.
 Best Ch.—Chindwin's Singum of Newton.
 Best Nov.—Chindwin's Sitha of Rama, s. p. f., Mrs. Charles Hetzler.
 Best Kit.—Chindwin's Wintana, s. p. m., Mr. and Mrs. Everett M. Battey.
 Judge—Mrs. Marguerite Saxby Mabie.
 Miss Mildred I. Kendall, Show Secretary.

OHIO STATE PERSIAN CLUB

At Columbus, Ohio, January 13-14, C.F.A. rules.

- Best—The Garden's Posey of Nigrette, blk. f., Mrs. Walter Limpert.
 Best Opp.—Dixi-Land Montpelier Victor, bl. m. Mrs. Walter Limpert.
 Best Gr. Ch.—Nor-Mont's Rosedere Mischievous, bl. m. Mrs. Frances Kosierowski.
 Best Ch.—Rosedere De-Anne of Nor-Mont, bl. cr. f., Mrs. Merald E. Hoag.
 Best Opp.—Silver Quest Fantasie, sd. silv. m. Miss Kay Thoma.
 Best Nov.—Erin's Nikki of Evergreen, wt., m., Mrs. Earl G. Fleming.
 Best Opp.—Timidity of Haviru, sd. silv. f., Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. Morey.
 Best Kit.—Wayne's Blu-Belle, bl. f., Mrs. Naomi Favors.
 Best Opp. Kit.—Shawnee's Lad O' Nite, bl. pt. siam. m., Necolia Slobodian.
 Best S. H.—Vee Roi's Dainty Girl, bl. pt. f., Mrs. R. H. Hecht.
 Best Dom. S. H.—Nor-Mont's Angeliqwe, wt. f. Mrs. Merald E. Hoag.
 Judge—Mrs. C. F. Rotter.

ST. PETERSBURG CAT CLUB

At St. Petersburg, Fla., Jan. 13-14 A.C.A. rules.

- Best—Silver Moth's Colonel Cream Puff, cr. m., Mrs. Florence Kemmer.
 Best Opp.—Robelaine's Derrri of Rollywood, sh. silv. f., Elaine Hamilton.
 Best Ch.—Dynasty's Silver Symphony, silv. f., Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Thompson.
 Best Nov.—Gayland's Blossom, bl. f., Miss Verner E. Clum.
 Best Opp. Nov.—Dee Gee's Ah Ling Lei, s. p. siam. m., Mrs. D. Goodwillie.
 Best Kit.—Clar-Mar's Lady Nod of Bauer Cattery, bl. f., Mr. and Mrs. Egon H. Bauer.
 Best Opp. Kit.—Clar-Mar's Omar Khayyam, wh. m., Mr. William Fegan.
 Best Abyssinian—Merkland Sheba of Disston, f., Mrs. T. A. Kloos.
 Best s. p. siam.—Hi-Tone Hu-Shi of Hu-Ling, f., Major Bolton S. Pierce.
 Best b. p. siam.—Merry Mount's Chai Ling, m., Mrs. G. Robertson.
 Best Amer. S. H.—Tisch, blk. m., Miss Kitty Chiera.
 Judge—Mr. H. B. Zieses.

ANGEL CITY CAT FANCIERS

At Inglewood, Cal. Jan. 20-21, C.F.A. rules.

- Best—Pied Piper of Barbe Bleue, blk. m., Mrs. Frances Campbell.
 Best Opp.—Pearl Harbor Pandora of Azulita, bl. f., Mrs. Walter K. Johnston.
 Best Ch.—Michael of Beverly-Serrano, chin. m., Miss Lucille Laird.
 Best Opp. Ch.—Silver Crest Alcione of Skyland, sh. silv. f., Mrs. Gladys E. Weirich.
 Best Nov.—Las Montana's Walkie-Talkie, chin. m., Miss Mell Russell.
 Best Opp. Nov.—Bonny Blue Bea, b. p. siam. f., Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Beaver.
 Best Kit. L. H.—Azulita Mamzelle, bl. f., Mrs. Walter K. Johnston.
 Best Opp. Kit.—Barbe Bleue Harmony Mr. Placid, blk. m., Mrs. Florence S. Campbell.
 Best Kit S. H.—Mandarin's Blue Khai Meek, b. p. siam. f., Mrs. Paul P. Perkins.

- Best Amer. S. H.—Silver Boze, silv. thy. m., Mrs. Ethel Maule.
 Best Siam.—Pala Verdes Tapa Tam, s. p. f., Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Beaver.
 Best Opp. Siam.—Tama Li Bea, s. p. m., Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Beaver.
 Judge—Miss Alice G. Phillips.
 By Mr. James W. Blackford.

LONG ISLAND BREEDERS

At Garden City, N. Y., Jan. 19-20, C.F.F. rules.

ALL-BREED

- Best—Kute Kit Silver Christmas, silv. m., Mrs. Edith Oelschlagel.
 Best Opp.—Kute Kit Silver Twilight of Sunnynoll, silv. f., Mrs. Nora Andrews.
 Best Ch.—Dunkoern's Champion Archimedes smk. m., Mrs. Helen T. Koerner.
 Best Opp. Ch.—Kute Kit Silver Dust, silv. f., Mrs. Margaret Lovett.
 Best Nov.—Sunnynoll's Bobby, silv. sh. m., Mrs. Nora Andrews.
 Best Opp. Nov.—Sunnynoll's Susan, sh. silv. m., Mrs. Nora Andrews.
 Best Kit.—Holme's Coquette, wt. f., Elizabeth Ann Holmes.
 Best Opp. Kit.—Alibi, s. p. siam. m., Mrs. Victoria Swoboda.
 Best Dom. S. H.—Aztec's Belinda, silv. thy. f., Mrs. Frank W. Freudenthal.
 Best For. S. H.—Vee-Roi's Violet Lady, b. p. siam. f., Mrs. Alice Dugan.
 Judge—Miss Doris Hobbs.

TABBBIE AND TORTIE

- Best—Erdmorr Trigo of Elco, red thy. m., Ella Conroy.
 Best Opp.—Twice Blessed of Plumfield, tort. Edna A. Hyer.
 Best Ch.—Lavender Top-Notcher, silv. thy. m., Mrs. Frank W. Freudenthal.
 Best Opp. Ch.—Linda's Betinda, silv. thy. f., Mrs. Frank W. Freudenthal.
 Best Nov.—Elco's Rudolpho, peke. thy. m., John K. Farris.
 Best Opp. Nov.—Sunset Golden Dolly, bl. cr. f., Joey Parsell.
 Best Kit.—Mar-Leons Sassy Sister, silv. thy., Mrs. Margaret Lovett.
 Judge—Mrs. Mabel Erdman.

SIAMESE SPECIALTY

- Best—Best B.P., - Vee Roi's Violet Lady.
 Best Opp.—Wu Moonson, b. p. siam. m., Mrs. King.
 Best Ch.—Jeannot, s. p. siam. m., Mrs. H. F. Gerard.
 Best Nov.—Wu Qui Won, b. p. siam. f., Mrs. King.
 Best Opp. Nov.—Wu Moonson.
 Best Kit.—Lindale Dreamer's Charm, s. p. siam. f., Agnes F. Rand.
 Best Opp. Kit.—Alibi.
 Best S. P.—Merry Mounts Collette of Astra, Agnes F. Rand.
 Judge—Mrs. Max Fiedler.

BUFFALO CAT CLUB

At Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 20-21, C.F.A. rules

ALL-BREED

- Best—Antoine, bl. m., Mrs. S. A. Pugh.
 Best Opp.—Plumfield's Patsy of Rosegate, bl. cr. f., A. DeSantis.
 Best Nov.—Nor-Mont's Lucky Draw, bl. m., Mrs. M. E. Hoag.
 Best Ch.—Tommy Tucker of the Tower, bl. m., Mrs. Ethel Treen.
 Best Gr. Ch.—Longhill's Red Treasure, red m., A. DeSantis.
 Best Kit.—Wayne's Blue-Belle of Favor's, bl. f., Mrs. Naomi Favors.
 Best For. S. H.—Palos Verdes Star of the East, s. p. siam. f., Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Lewis.
 Best Dom. S. H.—Nor-Mont's Angeliqwe bl. wh. f., Mrs. M. Hoag.
 Judge—Mrs. R. Mabie.

SOLID COLOR

- Best—Dixi-Land Montpelier Victor, bl. m., Mr. and Mrs. Limpert.
 Best Opp.—The Garden's Posey of Nigrette, blk. f., Mr. and Mrs. Walter Limpert.
 Best Ch.—Khyber's Kalypso Joe of Longhill, bl. m., A. DeSantis.
 Best Nov.—Nor-Mont's Lucky Draw.
 Best Kit.—Wayne's Blue-Belle of Favor's.
 Judge—Mrs. F. Kosierowski.

CANYON STATE

At Phoenix Ariz., Feb. 3-4, A.C.A. rules.

ALL-BREED

- Best—Skyland Diana, silv. f., Mrs. Gladys Weinrich.
 Best Opp.—Skyland Arcturus, silv. m., Mrs. Gladys Weinrich.
 Best Ch.—Kiva's Kachina Doll, sh. silv. f., Mrs. Ada May Miles.
 Best Opp. Ch.—Dunloe Blue King de Casa Gatos, russ. bl. m., Mrs. Blanche Warren.
 Best Nov.—Rollywood Shah of Katnip Korner, silv. m., Vivian L. Osburn.
 Best Kit.—Kiva's Kri-Kri, blk. f., Mrs. Ada May Miles.
 Best Opp. Kit., Best S. H.—Casa Gatos Ammon-Ra, aby. m., Mrs. Blanche Warren.
 Judge—Mrs. J. J. Small.

SHORT HAIR SPECIALTY

- Best—Red Dust, o. thy. m., Dr. Fern Smith.
 Best Opp.—Sweet-Ti-Pi of Anna's Siamese, blu. pt. f. siam., Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McCracken.
 Best Ch.—Dunloe Blue King de Casa Gatos.
 Best Nov.—Julie's Bandit of Jadawh, bl. p. siam., Dr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Boren.
 Best Opp. Nov.—Dunloe Blue Queen de Casa Gatos, russ. bl. f., Mrs. Blanche Warren.
 Best Kit.—Casa Gatos Ammon-Ra.
 Best Kit Opp.—Azure's Sally, blk. f., Nancy Steinmetz.
 Judge—Mrs. Ruth Fisher.
 By Mrs. R. M. Berry.

MARCH CAT PICTURE

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sors of the contest expect an unusually large number of "litter pictures". There are many more pictures to be selected and photos may be submitted up to November 1, 1951. Full details concerning the contest may be obtained by writing Cat Contest, P. O. Box 403, Boston 2, Mass. Do not address your entries or inquire for information direct to the American Crabmeat Company nor to CATS Magazine.

The Midwest Feline Fanciers Club has been organized in Wisconsin and has affiliated with the Cat Fanciers Federation. Lynn Brooks is president; Dr. Andrew P. Petta, vice president; Bon V. Jamison, treasurer; and Mrs. Coreen H. Petta, R. 1, Richfield, Wis., secretary.

Officially marked show catalogs have not been received as of February 17. The catalogs are urgently needed for use in All-Sectional and All-America Cat Rankings for 1950-51. Show secretaries, show managers and club officers are requested to provide catalogs as soon as possible, for the following shows:

San Francisco (ACA)

Pacific Cat Fanciers (CFF)

Beresford Cat Club (ACA)

San Diego Cat Fanciers (CFA)

Empire Cat Club (CFA)

Mile Hi Cat Club (ACA)

Colorado Cat Fanciers (CFA)

Albuquerque Cat Club (CFA)

Coronado Cat Club (CFA)

Alamo City Cat Club (CFA)

THE BACK FENCE

In a few weeks, SARAH CHURCHILL, daughter of England's WINSTON CHURCHILL, will make her Broadway debut in the play, "Gramercy Ghost". She says she will spend the 10 minutes before curtain time on opening night inspecting the theatre for cats. If any are around she will gather them together and lock them in her dressing room until after the performance. This is why: "I adore cats, and, perhaps, they sense my affection for them, because they always come to me. I seem to draw them. If there should be a stray cat backstage on the opening night of 'Gramercy Ghost', I have no doubt it will walk directly to me while I'm on the stage. I know! That's happened to me several times before, especially in England where most theatres have cats around for the mice. I remember the first time a cat decided to visit me on stage. It was in London. I hadn't noticed the cat, at first. Then I heard the audience laughing. A dreadful feeling came over me. Was my slip showing? Had I said something foolish? Or missed a cue? All of a sudden I spotted the cat. I lured it to me, as if it was supposed to be in the play. Once I had it in my arms, I held onto it almost in a stranglehold until the end of my scene. Of course, I made it up to the cat afterwards."

Hollywood has announced the names of animal actors who will compete for an "Oscar" honoring them for outstanding screen performances. No cat was selected. List includes BABE, a mountain lion; BEAUTY, SMOKY and TRIGGER JR., horses; FRANCIS, a mule; JACKIE, a lion; SCHEHERAZADE, FLAME and LASSIE, dogs; and BONZO, a chimpanzee.

HOMER BRADLEY MILLER of San Antonio, Texas, has been soliciting for funds, using the name of CATS Magazine without knowledge and consent of this publication . . . MRS. ELLA HAGLER of Loveland, Colorado, claims she has a cat 27 years old, named Little Sister, and that her pet recently cut a new set of teeth after enduring several years of bare gums . . . E. V. DURLING, the noted columnist, recently wrote: "I believe cats are smarter than dogs when it comes to crossing streets. I watched a cat the other day and it was extremely interesting to see how he waited for the traffic to clear before crossing."

From the column, VOICE OF BROADWAY by DOROTHY KILGALLEN, "The question most frequently asked around the lobby of the Barrymore Theatre these evenings is, 'How does she keep that cat so quiet?'—'she' being Lilli Palmer, the witch of 'Bell, Book and Candle' and the cat being Pyewacket, the lush Siamese who assists in the impressive magic that occurs in the Van Druten play.

"Members of the audience are so struck with the cat's docility that they are moved to suggest all sorts of theories, the most frequent being that it is drugged slightly before every performance.

"The management throws up its hands in horror at this canard.

"Drugs? No such drastic arrangement is necessary, all concerned aver. Pyewacket and her understudy, Sarah, occupy the star dressing room during all performances, and Miss Palmer feeds them and fondles them whenever she has a spare moment. They are so smitten with her that neither one has ever made any effort to move out of her arms when she is holding them on stage."

More than 3,000 cats have applied for the title role of RHUBARB in the planned movie of the same name, according to PRODUCER WILLIAM PERLBERG. An "amazing percentage", PERLBERG says, just happen to be named RHUBARB. He said that when he and DIRECTOR GEORGE SEATON flew to New York recently, five cats and their hopeful owners met them at LaGuardia Field. Actually four identical cats are needed for the role. Experience has shown

that as a rule an animal can do just one thing well, according to PERLBERG. RHUBARB must be able to grab a golf ball and run with it in his mouth, chase two Great Danes, and scare off another dog with an angry snarl.

MRS. ED NIXON of Lebanon, Ohio, reports she has a smart tom cat. Recently she wrote a note to her son and tied it around the cat's neck. Puss delivered it immediately. In fact, she says, the cat scratched on the door to attract her son's attention . . . Big excitement at the cat show in Pittsburgh recently was the two-day loss of the Cream Persian male, HONEYBUN, owned by MRS. R. L. O'DONOVAN of South Miami, Florida. HONEYBUN disappeared the day of the show. He turned up after the show in the cage of an absentee Cream Persian male KITTEN! HONEYBUN was judged as a kitten. What is most important about this item is that HONEYBUN was the puss on the left in the 1950 Ca Picture of the Year!

Cats are hard to photograph with photoflood illumination because the heat of the lamps either makes them drowsy or restless. The prolonged glare of bright light also causes the pupils of their eyes to contract unnaturally. Use flash! . . . The Hulton Readership Survey, which was the first to be carried out in Great Britain following the war, showed that the percentage of ownership of cats is higher than of dogs, the relatively smaller canine population possibly being caused by the difficulty of feeding the animals during years of food shortages. The Survey shows only 25 per cent of households keeping dogs; 28 per cent, cats; 3 per cent cage birds, and 9 per cent, domestic poultry.

CHESSIE, the famous cat of the C.&O. Railroad, got her job as the trademark of this road to become the most famous cat in America, back in 1933. Here is how it happened. The late L. C. PROBERT, then vice president of the C.&O. was charmed by a reproduction of an etching "The Sleeping Car", in the Sunday magazine section of a New York newspaper. Being a lover of animals (he had all kinds, from a pet ram to swans on his farm), he clipped the picture with the thought that he would secure the original etching for his home. He had been looking for some way to dramatize the sound sleeping qualities of the C.&O. air-conditioned train, The George Washington. For weeks he and WALTER JACKSON, the railroad's advertising manager, had been puzzling over the problem. One day PROBERT rushed into JACKSON'S office with the newspaper etching and asked him to vote on two possible slogans: "Sleep Like a Top" and "Sleep Like a Kitten". PROBERT beamed when JACKSON chose the kitten. CHESSIE, as everybody knows, was an immediate smash hit. The first ad featuring her, appeared in the September 1933 issue of FORTUNE MAGAZINE, and brought nearly 300 letters asking for copies.

During the season (so far), two Short Hair show cats have won titles of Grand Champion. It is believed to be the first time this has occurred in the respective breed classifications of these cats. They are Grand Champion AZTEC BELINDA, four times All-American Silver Tabby female, and Grand Champion GUTHRED OF MANX OF GLEN ORRY, Red Tabby Manx male. AZTEC BELINDA is owned by Mrs. F. W. FREUDENTHAL of Darien, Conn. GUTHRED is the prize performer of THE MISSES RUTH & ELLEN CARLSON of West Chicago, Illinois. CONGRATULATIONS!

1951 candidate for the youngest cat breeder-exhibitor goes to JANE RAZZONI of New York. She exhibited her Blue Cream Persian, BLUEBELLE in New York shows . . . Cat at the Roxy Theatre, Cleveland is named SCMOO . . . Has anybody come up with THE THING for the name of a cat? You might like to know that SNAFU was once the name of a registered Siamese male . . . In Muehldorf, Bavaria, after a
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THE BACK FENCE

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supper of muchrooms, a family became alarmed when it saw its cat writhing in agony. Father, mother and two children rushed to a hospital and were treated for mushroom poisoning. When they returned home they found the cat nursing four new kittens . . . MR. AND MRS. ERNEST S. KRATZET of Santa Monica, Calif., have the name and address of their Siamese, TAI, on his collar. He has been returned home 12

times by taxi drivers. Usually when TAI gets lost, he hops into a cab . . . A pedigreed cat with a broken jaw and infected tongue was flown from Beira, Mozambique to Lourenco Marques, for an operation. The cat was rushed to the SPCA where a veterinary and three attendants sewed the jaw with platinum wire and set it in a plaster cast. A dose of one million units of penicillin was administered and the cat also received injections of calcium and vitamins.

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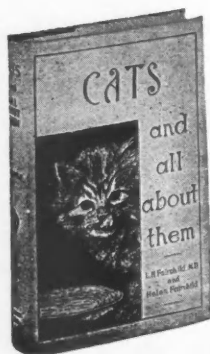
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